

S. B. 544

CHAPTER 923

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE TRIAD HOME FOR AUTISTIC YOUTH.

Whereas, the Triad Home for Autistic Youth, located in Greensboro, serves autistic youth in a year-round residential program; and

Whereas, the children, in addition to their developmental disability exhibit behavioral patterns that necessitate close and constant supervision by a staff with professional expertise; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. In addition to any other appropriation there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Human Resources, Division of Social Services, for fiscal year 1979-80, the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000) and for fiscal year 1980-81, the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000) to provide additional assistance to the Triad Home for Autistic Youth.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June, 1979.

S. B. 552

CHAPTER 924

AN ACT TO GIVE THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL RESOURCES RESPONSIBILITY FOR EMPLOYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. In the appropriation made in the 1979-80 Budget Appropriation Bill for the administration of the North Carolina Symphony, the Department of Cultural Resources shall be responsible for the expenditure of funds for administration and have authority over the employment of administrative personnel, subject to the provisions of Chapter 126 of the General Statutes. The department may seek the advice and assistance of the North Carolina Symphony Society, Inc., in administrative personnel actions.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June, 1979.

S. B. 559

CHAPTER 925

AN ACT TO ALLOW NURSING HOME PATIENTS TO TAKE UP TO 18 DAYS LEAVE WITHOUT LOSING MEDICAID BENEFITS.

Whereas, a patient at a nursing home loses medical reimbursement if he or she leaves for a few days to visit family; and

Whereas, therapeutic leave is beneficial to the patient and family and may result in the patient being able to stay at home rather than returning to the nursing home if his or her condition has changed; and

Whereas, forty-four states already allow therapeutic leave; Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: